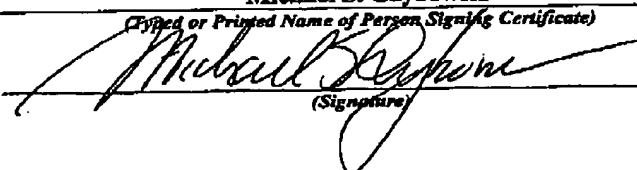


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In response to the Official Action mailed October 5, 2005 in connection with the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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